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## Comment Of The Day

### FAREWELL TO A CLOSE FRIEND

THE sight of the Britannia steaming out of the harbour yesterday afternoon left many with the feeling that this was a farewell to a close friend. Yet most had caught no more than a glimpse of the Duke during his short weekend visit. His charm, his easy-going personality and his warm friendliness endeared him to thousands, and the Colony can feel today that it has established a personal link with the Duke and through him the Queen, that will always be valued.

If there is any one outstanding achievement of the visit it must be that thousands saw him personally and followed his every move with avid interest. Nor was this more curiosity. For here was a visitor who came prepared and informed about our situation, our problems and achievements. And the interest and understanding he showed, here as elsewhere during the current tour, emphasises the importance with which the structure of Commonwealth and all its component parts is regarded today.

### Vivid Impression

THERE will be other regrets that he has gone. The daily bedecked and illuminated city was an exhilarating and pleasing sight which did much credit to the Public Works Department and the big business houses concerned. The festive atmosphere of the city for several days of any of our traditional holidays. And contributing to the immense success of the occasion was the smooth execution of the programme with only minor variations to the scheduled timetable, and the lack of any undignified incident or any disagreeable behaviour.

Those who have followed the Duke's visit in other parts of the Commonwealth may regret that ours, by comparison, proved less colourful and spectacular and that time did not permit more opportunity for relaxation by the Duke, but in its own way the Colony made a vivid impression on our royal visitor. The intense interest he displayed in all our activities shows clearly that here was no casual observer or condescending sightseer, but someone with our welfare very much at heart.

### At The Pinnacle

THE success of the royal tour is therefore not to be measured by the scope of the programme or, necessarily, by the volume of the cheers and the donny of the unlookers. For most, the visit brought to life one of the two people who stand at the pinnacle of the Commonwealth association of which Hongkong is as much as India, Canada, Australia in an integral part. Hongkong has been honoured and will always be deeply grateful that this special link between the people of this Colony and the Duke has been established.

## BAGDAD BRANDS SHAWAF No.1 ENEMY OF IRAQI REPUBLIC MOVE TO CRUSH REVOLT

**£10,000 Reward  
For  
Rebel Leader**

Bagdad, Mar. 8.  
Colonel Abdol Wahab Shawaf, branded today as the Number One Enemy of the Iraqi Government had a £10,000 reward placed on his head — dead or alive — by Premier Abdel Karim Kassem.

### Ollenhauer To Meet Khrushchev



DR. E. OLLENHAUER

Berlin, March 8.  
Herr Erich Ollenhauer, leader of the West German Democratic Party, is to meet the Soviet Prime Minister, Mr. Nikita Khrushchev tomorrow, the West German News Agency DPA said tonight.

The Social Democratic Party is the largest opposition party in West Germany at federal level.

### A Discussion

DPA reported that Herr Ollenhauer had been invited by Mr. Khrushchev to a discussion. Herr Ollenhauer has been invited for talks by Mr. Khrushchev, a Social Democratic Party spokesman said in answer to telephone questions.

He said the Soviet Embassy in Bonn had informed Herr Ollenhauer that the Soviet Prime Minister wanted to meet him last Monday. The spokesman said the West German Foreign Ministry had been informed about the meeting.

The spokesman would not say where and when the meeting was to take place tomorrow. A communiqué on the talks may be issued afterwards, he said.

The spokesman, Herr Fritz Barsig, the Party press officer, said he would accompany Herr Ollenhauer at the meeting. No other party officials would take part, he added.

The meeting was to take place in the Soviet Embassy in East Berlin.—Reuter.

### Tenants Blown Out Of Flats

Fairfax, N.J., Mar. 8.  
An explosion party, demolished a two-story block here today, hurling some tenants out of the building and burying others under piles of debris.

Nine people had been injured in the blast, two seriously. The body of a small boy was later found buried in the ruins.—Reuter.

### Four Hurt As Racer Crashes In Rally

Pomona, Calif.,  
March 8.  
Four persons, including a race official and two spectators, were injured today when a race car went out of control during the 150-mile International Grand Prix sports car race at Los Angeles county fair grounds here.

The accident occurred in the 10th lap when a Sadler MK-11 driven by Bruce Kessler (24) of Beverly Hills, California, hit an oil slick, went out of control down the track and struck the announcer's scaffold and four parked cars.

A woman and a teenage boy were struck by flying pieces of wreckage. The race Chairman, Joseph J. Weisman, President of the California Sports Car Club, suffered severe cuts on his face and head. He was standing on the announcer's scaffold.

### Second Escape

Kessler was thrown 30 feet in the air when his car hit the scaffold, but escaped with a possible broken nose, face abrasions and numerous bruises. Last year he escaped death in a fatal accident at Le Mans.

Film actress Jayne Mansfield was sitting just above the scene of the crash. She was acting as official hostess at the race.—U.P.I. and Reuter.

### DUCHESS INSPECTS PERUVIAN HONOUR GUARD



The Duchess of Kent, who is on a Latin-American tour with her daughter Princess Alexandra, inspects the guard of honour mounted at the airport when she arrived in Lima, Peru, on the second leg of her tour.—Express Photo.

### U.S.N. Carrier On Aid Mission To Hongkong

San Diego, Calif., March 8.  
A U.S. Navy aircraft carrier will leave here tomorrow carrying food and relief supplies in some of its ammunition magazines for hungry and homeless Chinese refugees in Hongkong.

The ship, the Shangri-la, will take about two tons of food and about 30 tons of bedding and clothing as the third goodwill shipment of its kind promoted by friends of the United Nations.

The supplies were collected during a two-month charity drive with the aid of church and civic bodies in neighbouring areas to the port.—Reuter.

### Red Dean Better

Dr. Hewlett Johnson, Dean of Canterbury, continues to make excellent progress in his recovery from pneumonia, a hospital spokesman said tonight. He is 85.—Reuter.



The recent edict of the South African Government, making it compulsory for all black Africans to carry identity cards has sparked off riots in several cities. In one in Pretoria's Lady Selborne, 2,000 women took part demonstrating all day until they were dispersed by a ruthless baton charge of both black and white police.—Express Photo.

### Dulles Goes For A Ride: Visits Home

Washington, March 8.  
The Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, left his hospital room today for the second time for another car ride in warm, sunny weather.

A State Department spokesman said the 71-year-old Secretary, fighting his second bout with cancer, walked out of the hospital with Mrs. Dulles for his second drive in two days. Yesterday, when Mr. Dulles and his wife took a half-hour drive through Rock Creek Park, marked the first time Mr. Dulles had left the hospital since February 10 when he entered for a hernia operation that disclosed abdominal cancer.

### SAW HIS DOG

Today's outing, which lasted about 1 hour and 20 minutes, included a stop at the Dulles home on the fringe of Rock Creek Park. As Mr. Dulles returned to the hospital, he said to the waiting State Department Press Officer, Joe Kemp, "Well, we went home and I saw my dog."

Mr. Reap said Mr. Dulles "seemed to be very happy" about his first return to his home since he entered hospital.—U.P.I.

### Moon Men

New York, Mar. 8.  
Men will land on the moon within two years, Dr. Lloyd M. Motz, Professor of Astronomy at Columbia University, predicted in an interview today.—France Press.

### France Prepares To Explode First Nuclear Bomb

Paris, March 8.  
About 2,500 men are to work deep in the Sahara desert near Reggane, Algeria, building block-houses and underground shelters in preparation for France's first nuclear tests, the Paris Journal Dimanche reported today.

The newspaper's science correspondent, in a dispatch from Colomb-Bechar, the site of the French missile testing range 375 miles from Reggane, said the workmen, mostly Moslems, had moved thousands of tons of soil in an undertaking reminiscent of the building of the pyramids.

### This Year

Neither the date nor the place of France's first atom bomb test have yet been officially announced, but it is widely expected here to take place this year. The correspondent said yesterday's launching of Veronique rockets at Colomb-Bechar was only partially successful because of apparatus for releasing sodium at great heights to make an artificial comet had failed to function, another launching was expected tomorrow.—Reuter.

### Russian Cruise

Liverpool, Mar. 8.  
The Canadian liner Caronia (24,172 tons) makes her first visit to Britain next October. It was announced here tonight. She will call at Valparaiso and Coquimbo during a cruise to the Mediterranean and the Black Sea starting from New York.—Reuter.

### Cyprus Rampage By British Troops

Famagusta, Mar. 8.  
About sixty British soldiers, mostly dressed in civilian clothes and armed with clubs and stones went on a rampage through the outlying city of Famagusta tonight leaving behind them a trail of broken windows and damaged cars.

According to first reports, the angry troops set out in retaliation against Cypriot youths who last night stoned uniformed security forces in the predominantly Greek city.

### Minor Panic

Minor panic flashed through the narrow alleys of the old city, and church bells pealed the alarm, as during the inter-communal clashes of last summer.

Volleys of stones were exchanged between the soldiers and youths as the crowd attempted to drive the troops away.

The fighting brought into the open the simmering tensions only slightly veiled beneath the surface in parts of Cyprus. Famagusta remains almost fanatically loyal to the extremist Eoka movement, which led the Cyprus struggle against British security forces. Tension between Briton and Greek has not been eased by the signing of the London agreement.

### Memories

Both sides retain vivid memories of last October 3 when unknown youths shot dead Mrs. Catherine Culliffe and wounded another service wife. The culprit was never found, but British authorities were convinced the shooting was the work of Eoka members acting under orders. Two Greeks died in the subsequent mass roundup.—U.P.I.

### Nuclear Power For U.S. Base In Antarctica

Melbourne, Mar. 8.  
Rear-Admiral George Dufek, commanding American naval support forces in Antarctica, said today that the U.S. plans to install nuclear power at its permanent Antarctic base to cut down their "tremendous logistic costs."

In a recorded broadcast talk Admiral Dufek said the U.S. is also studying the possibility of establishing an "Antarctic airport" that could be used all the year round.



## Skittles (AMERICAN STYLE) "Bursts" On The British

London, March 9.  
Ten-pin bowling, a game played by 22 million Americans, is about to "burst upon the British public," an American maker of bowling alley equipment announced a Press conference here.

"They'll be teaching us to play cricket next," commented one Briton, who recalled that the American game is a direct descendant of the ancient English game of skittles.

But while bowling is enjoyed by Americans of both sexes and ages, the tradition of beer and skittles survives in only a handful of British pubs, where it is reserved for men.

The American firm, which has already interested a number of British businessmen in the money-making possibilities of bowling alleys, plans a full-scale programme to educate the British about ten-pin bowling.

One of the facts publicised will be that "bowling is a credit course at Haffs College, Minnesota, New York."

British bowling alley operators will be able to buy the American equipment and rent the automatic pinsetter.

an untiring electronic machine which in 1952 replaced the pin-boy who used to set up the pins.

### "Sticker Up"

The makers of the automatic pinsetter believe it is largely responsible for the growth of bowling in the United States, many of which are open 24 hours a day.

Sir Alan Herbert, 68-year-old British author, wit and skitter, who demonstrated the English game in the United States last year, agrees.

"In these soft days, it is difficult to find a sticker up (skittles) counterpart of the pin boy," Sir Alan said at his home.

"The electronic machine saved the American game and would probably save ours if we could afford it,"—China Mail Special.



## De Gaulle Loses Ground In City Elections

Paris, March 8.  
French voters showed Gen. Charles de Gaulle less warmth and the Communists more today in municipal elections, the first nation-wide polling since De Gaulle's austerity economic programme took effect.

## Ireland Same As Cyprus, Says Valera

Innis, Irish Republic

March 8.

The Irish Prime Minister, Mr. Eamon de Valera to-day suggested that the British Government should reject the partition of Ireland for the same reasons as it rejected partition of Cyprus.

He told a Fianna Fail party meeting here that the partition of Ireland was a mistake which would only be taken into account in the case of Ireland, a satisfactory solution could be arrived at—indeed, a much simpler solution than that accepted for Cyprus.

Mr. de Valera's remarks to-day follow a speech by Mr. Macmillan in Northern Ireland last week expressing grave concern over the action of the Irish Republican Government in releasing Irish Republican Army suspects from the Curragh detention camp outside Dublin.

### Intermingled

Today Mr. de Valera said that Mr. Macmillan, before leaving Northern Ireland, explained why partition would not work in Cyprus.

"He said that there were no Greek or Turkish areas there; that the villagers were intermingled. "We might infer from this that he thought that it was quite otherwise here, that the nationalist and nationalist populations in our island were situated apart, that, in fact, the six-county area, which he misnamed Ulster, was a homogeneous whole, entirely unalloyed. "It is necessary, therefore, to point out that even in the very city of Belfast in which he was speaking over one-fourth of the whole population is nationalist,"—Reuters.

## U.S. Fears New Crisis In Formosa

Washington, March 8.  
The United States Secretary of the Army, Mr. Wilber Brucker, said to-day that there was much concern here about the possibility of a new crisis in the Formosa area flaring up at the same time as the Berlin crisis reaches a climax.

Appearing on a television programme, Mr. Brucker said the possibility of the joint crisis meant keeping United States forces ready for action in both places.

"We've got to keep our mind on that and not be distracted," he added.

But he agreed with President Eisenhower's statement last week that this was not the moment for general mobilisation.

"We are, of course, contemplating and planning for every conceivable contingency," he said.

"We've got to be governed by what the aggressors do and the Russians unqualifiedly are the aggressors," he said. "If we mobilise, Russia might mobilise and a lot of people have an idea that they have twice as many men as we do to mobilise at one time."—Reuters.

## Reversed

Their respective totals were roughly the other way in the parliamentary elections of last autumn which saw the U.N.R. pick up 28.4 per cent of the final vote while the Communists fell to 20.7 per cent (as compared to 23.7 in 1955).

In Lyons, Deputy Premier Jacques Soustelle, leader of the U.N.R., won the election but his ticket ran third behind the Radicals and the Communists.

In Marseille the ticket headed by Socialist Gaston Defferre, ex-Minister for Overseas Territories, finished ahead of Pascal Marchetti's U.N.R. ticket, 92,307 to 22,471.

Marchetti beat Defferre out of his National Assembly seat last autumn.

However both men finished behind the Communist today, who got 96,190 votes.

### Comeback

Defferre was not the only politician defeated for the Assembly last autumn to make a comeback in the municipal elections.

Similar comebacks were staged by Socialist Robert Lacoste, former Minister-Resident in Algeria, ex-Premier Edgar Faure of the Rally of the Republican Left (R.G.L.) Party, and Radical ex-Defence Minister Andre Morice.

Interior Minister Jean Berthoin said: "I must acknowledge the Communists have regained ground."

"But," he added, citing a well-known French political phenomenon, "the majority of the voters who support Communist candidates are not Communists. They vote that way because they oppose government policy."—U.P.I.

## EYYEES—ANYWHERE

It was enough to make a shouting screaming sergeant-major dissolve into tears.

The impeccably uniformed, meticulously lined-up honour guard for Mr. Macmillan's arrival at Kiev were turning their heads, shifting their glance all over the place.

But it wasn't lack of discipline. In fact it was the opposite. Russian standing orders command everyone on parade to keep their eyes fixed—not forward—but on the day's VIP.

## FRESH ARSON OUTBREAKS

Blantyre, Nyasaland, March 8.  
Fresh outbreaks of arson were reported in the northern province of troubled Nyasaland today as top level talks were held to review the entire situation in the protectorate.

Latest trouble was centred at Deep Bay, on the shores of Lake Nyasa, where the homes of an African chief and an African postman were burned.

Two nearby Public Works Department road camps and two schools were burned out.

Cattle dipping tanks in the Deep Bay and Nyungwe areas were also destroyed.

Today's talks here were between Sir Robert Armistead, Governor of Nyasaland, Mr. Maurice Metcalf, British High Commissioner, in the Rhodesian Federation, Sir Roy Welensky, Federal Prime Minister, and Sir Edgar Whitehead, Southern Rhodesia Prime Minister.—Reuters.

Chilume said: "The people of Nyasaland are determined not to surrender their struggle for self-government and against Federation."

### "Stupid"

Referring to reports that the African National Congress planned to assassinate selected Europeans, Indians and Africans in Nyasaland, Chilume said they were "the most stupid fabrication I have ever heard."

He continued: "Dr Banda was a great friend of the English. It was an atrocious allegation that he intended to massacre his friends."

Chilume added: "I will do all I can to destroy the propaganda of those who live in the Colonial Office, of murderous Conservatives, who are waging war against the people of Nyasaland."

### Bounty

Washington, Mar. 8.  
A New York congressman announced today he would introduce a bill tomorrow that would put a \$500 "bounty of prey" on the head of every narcotics peddler.—U.P.I.

### Alcohol Deaths

Monterrey, Mexico, Mar. 8.  
Twenty people lingered between life and death here today after drinking industrial alcohol pilfered from an abandoned railway tank car. The alcohol had already claimed 24 victims.—U.P.I.

# AFRICA PROTEST MARCH IN LONDON

Demonstrators Shout: 'Hands Off'

London, March 8.  
Africans and British sympathisers today marched through the streets of London shouting "Hands off Africa" in a demonstration to protest against recent events in Nyasaland. The procession, accompanied by two saxophonists and a drummer playing "Onward Christian Soldiers," was headed by 29-year-old African member of the Nyasaland Legislative Council, M. W. Kinyama Chiume, one of the principal assistants of arrested Nyasaland African Congress leader Dr Hastings K. Banda.

With him at the head of the column was a white woman, Mrs. Lorna Micklem, a London university graduate now studying for the Bar.

The demonstrators repeatedly shouted for the release of Dr Banda, and demanded the dismissal of Sir Roy Welensky, Prime Minister of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, who last week sent Federal troops into Nyasaland to put down riots during which 38 Africans were killed.

Mounted and foot police accompanied the marchers and a cordon of police reserves followed. There were no incidents.

At a meeting afterwards attended by a thousand people,

Chiume said: "We in Nyasaland are determined we shall have no other master but ourselves." Meanwhile several hundred African students demonstrated in front of the office of the Central African Federation's High Commissioner in London in protest against the arrest of Nyasaland African National Congress leaders. They dispersed later without incident.—France-Press.

● Sir Roy Welensky—Ex-Boxer P.S.

## Castro Denies Plot Report

Washington, March 8.  
The Cuban Premier, Dr Fidel Castro, today discounted reports that his revolutionary government is plotting the overthrow of Dominican strong man Rafael L. Trujillo.

The rebel leader said it was logical that democratic Cubans would view with sympathy any movement against Trujillo.

"But for us to intervene directly in the problems of Santo Domingo (the Dominican Republic)—No."

Premier Castro made his statement in a copyrighted interview appearing in the current issue of U.S. News and World Report.

He also said his government has not raised the question of nationalising U.S. firms or revising the terms under which the Navy occupies its base at Guantanamo Bay.

Dr Castro said he saw "no reason why conflicts can arise" with the U.S. if the two countries maintain friendly relations.—U.P.I.

## Makarios Is Home

She did not mention the name of the picture, but it may have been "Stramboli," the film she made just before she divorced her doctor husband to marry Roberto Rossellini.

She said that she read in one of the movie trade papers at the time that theatres in smaller cities waited to see what happened to the movie in New York.

Public Opinion

"If the picture was box office," she said, "they would not ban it. Otherwise, it would be banned on moral grounds." Zanuck said that many people thought the American public did not want to see Miss Bergman on the screen after she ran off to Europe, with Rossellini, but that he thought otherwise and cast her in "Anastasia," for which she won a Hollywood Oscar.

Miss Bergman, who plans to return soon to Hollywood for the first time in 10 years, said that it would have been difficult for Zanuck to have done that five years earlier, "because public opinion was against it."

In reference to Hollywood blacklists of Communists or Communist sympathisers, Miss Bergman said some of the best talent in the movie capital disappeared suddenly during the last 10 years.

"I think Hollywood regretted it," she said. "But then it became public opinion, and that is something that is very difficult to change."

"The wind blows this way, and a couple of years after, it blows the other way, and very often it is difficult to know why."—U.P.I.

Photo Lessons

New York, Mar. 8.  
Columbia University student Roger Field, an art student, today through his physics lectures while other students rapidly scribbled notes. His photographs in the blackboard work problems.

Field says the demand for points of his photographic notes pay his costs.—U.P.I.

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## A British Crossword Puzzle

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2 Uncertainty  
3 Allude  
4 Decree  
5 Ultimate  
6 Song-thrush  
7 Bound  
8 Systems of signals  
9 Unit in game with 23 pieces  
10 Vegetable  
11 Church land  
12 Endorsement  
13 Bara  
14 Wide  
15 Hang down  
16 Hurler  
17 Stige

DOWN  
1 Murmuring angrily  
2 Artillery  
3 Nest  
4 Legislator  
5 Amount lacking  
6 Prayer  
7 Couple  
8 Be overbearing  
9 Sit astride  
10 Feared  
11 Shaped  
12 Scrape  
13 Reel  
14 Dried up

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD — Across: 3. Slippers, 8. Adule, 9. Replicas, 11. Prepared, 12. Apoc, 13. Strip, 18. Salad, 19. Oms, 22. Dilating, 24. Subside, 25. Nestle, 26. Fearless, 27. Happy, 28. Sleep, 29. Struts, 4. Leor, 5. Pals, 6. Escape, 7. Sister, 10. Pers, 14. Rabbi, 15. Buses, 16. Gospel, 17. Tumble, 20. Ditty, 21. Agree, 22. Dial, 23. Lenz.

## Biggest Seato Air Exercise Ends

The biggest Seato air exercise to date ended yesterday in Thailand.

Eighty-three aircraft from six countries took part in a week-long operation against an "invasion force" of six Chinese-type army divisions advancing from the north against Bangkok.

Nuclear bomb drops were simulated during the exercise. The nations taking part in the exercise co-ordinated Air Force were Britain, the United States, Australia, New Zealand, France and Thailand.

The manoeuvres were in two phases.

First was an air defence of Bangkok against the "aggressor" bombers (British Commonwealth Canberra).

The second was a dropping of Thai and French paratroops and the establishment of an air-head at Korat, 170 miles north of Bangkok by Seato transport machines.

At the conclusion of the exercise today, the director, Air Vice-Marshal Kasei, said that the exercise had been a success.

World was aware of Seato efforts.

Seato exercises he said were a "reminder of our capability".

The deputy director of the operation, Major-General Thomas, said that the exercise had been a success.

Bangkok, March 9.

monwealth detachment, Air Commodore A. G. Stewart of the British Far East Air Force said the exercise showed that the Seato air defence organisation was very efficient.

But there was need for more standardisation among the Seato forces, he said.

Major-General K. Hobson, Vice-Commander of Japanese Fifth United States Air Force said the manoeuvres demonstrated that Seato could come to the aid of a Southeast Asian country in hours rather than days.—Reuters.

Fantastic prospect for the human race, if the dream of scientist visionaries ever becomes reality:

## Longevity Via The Laboratory And The Assembly Line?

By A. CARNEY

**SPARE** parts for human beings are becoming commonplace—so commonplace that before very long a man or woman with an artificial heart, lung, kidney or the like may be as unremarkable as a war veteran with an artificial limb.

Indeed, there are some scientists who consider that in the course of time the creating of artificial organs may be developed to such a fine art of perfection that they will be much preferred to those with which nature has endowed us even though the latter are in good working order.

According to these prophets who favour artificiality, the human body is drastically restricted by its material structure of flesh and blood and bone. They argue that because it is composed merely of flesh, blood and bone it is after all bound to be exceedingly unequal to the demands made upon it.

### VARIETY

Whereas it could be built of a far greater variety of materials, each specially suited or adapted to the specific tasks required of it, the body would stand up far better to the wear and tear of life on this earth of ours.

Such is the contention of these visionaries in the realm of science, and the possibility at once suggests itself of the ordinary man or woman becoming a robot-like creature consisting of a soul encased in a manufactured frame—becoming in fact, an extraordinary man or woman with a non-human body, and with replacements at hand which would seem to guarantee life unending.

Another body of scientific opinion sees immense scope in the development of laboratory techniques concerned with the culture of animal tissue. Fantastic progress in this field of research has already been made. Laboratory experimentation has demonstrated that the organs and limbs of an animal can be grown from fragments of embryonic tissue—yes, grown under artificial conditions, and to such effect that an eye or a leg has resulted.

### STARTLING

In America, the outcome of laboratory experiments in reproduction with the embryo of frogs has been interpreted in some quarters as indicating a truly momentous possibility—if those experiments can be adapted to human beings. It would seem, according to this interpretation, that an individual man or woman could be reproduced again and again in precisely the same pattern.

The famous Jean Rostand, French biologist, is one who paints a startling word-picture

of a wondrous era wherein "All men will be handsome, healthy, strong and intelligent, and will live for two hundred years or more."

Jean Rostand, now in his sixties, is among France's leading scientists. He has written scientific books which sell as readily as novels. He has delved deeply into the mysteries of heredity and reproduction, and he has prophesied a world in which women will have children without men being concerned in the miracle of propagation—a world, too, in which brilliant intellect as well as good looks will be distributed to fortunate generations of mankind. His latest astonishing book on the future that could be in store for the human race was published a short time ago—*"Can Man Be Modified?"* published in Great Britain by Secker and Warburg.

It is debatable how great a proportion of the human race would really welcome the prospect of being able to live to the exceedingly ripe old age of two hundred or more.

Life is all too short, say some. But to live for centuries—even if artificially brought the gift of prolonged vigour—would that be so desirable to all of us?

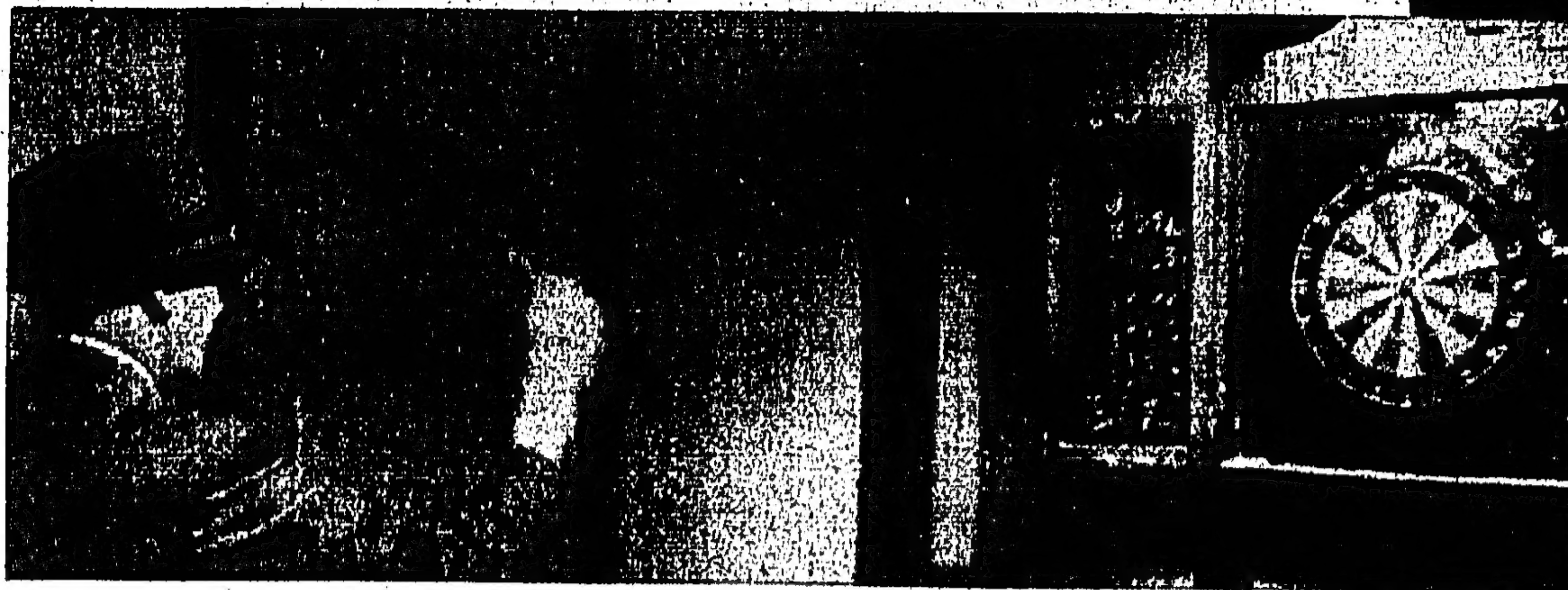
### A DIET

Before you answer the question for yourself, remind yourself that you could not expect to retire from work at a very active sixty-five or thereabouts, and go on living in robust health for another hundred and thirty-five years in a fat pension—or at the expense of young folk. Remind yourself, in fact, of all the adjustments you would have to make in your outlook and your way of life, and consider all the pros and cons relating to longevity.

At it is, some folk get along pretty well without the aid of science when it comes to this question of longevity. Take, for example, the case of the two Seyeds, Persian peasants whose diet consists principally of curried milk and bread. They live in an area which has long been noted for its proportion of centenarians. Sayed Ali Koutahi, the younger, is rather more than a hundred years old. Nothing specially remarkable in that, you may think—but what about Sayed Ali Koutahi, senior? He is the father. And doctors who have examined him have pronounced that he is of the very least one hundred and fifty years of age.

# The Darts Game

HE DIDN'T WIN—TILL HE CLOSED HIS EYES....



by MERRICK WINN

**I** HAD to leave Sidney Bradford alone in his London hotel and when I got back he was weeping.

He said, angrily, to cover up: "Another half-hour I was off back to Burton."

He said he felt all wrong. He said a boiler-sealer for a gas-works had no place in a posh hotel. But this was not it and I did not know what it was until he said later: "People kept staring."

This was it. This was one of the "pathetic penalties of seeing after 50 years of blindness. He knew now that people stared.

Blind, he never felt out of place. Darkness is clueless. He had never even known what staring was. Now he knew and could feel it and he hated it. Yes, people stared. They stared not at a boiler-sealer out of place, but in pity at a blind man. Sidney Bradford looks blind.

So he had gained sight and lost certainty. It showed in other ways. Blinded, he walked across the traffic streaming streets, not fearing. Now he was afraid.

It was clear now this man was more vulnerable than any of us guessed. A pluck for us could be for him a catastrophe. His cheery good humour was a moment from misery.

### Promise

He showed up soon enough and was once more the man who, the night before, promised me to give the seeing world a trial before deciding finally: "If I go blind again, I'll stay blind."

So he and I, and the two Cambridge scientists, Richard Gregory and Miss Jean Wallace, set out to look at London and it all fell flat.

We showed him Big Ben, the Abbey, Whitehall, and all the lot, and he looked at them politely but with no real interest. He said of Buckingham Palace: "I thought it would have a long drive up." And added, rightly: "A drab place."

Nothing surprised him or disappointed him, or made him wonder or want to know more. And we, watching, were puzzled and even irritated.

For we who could see found it almost impossible really to understand how after 50 years of blindness sight could mean so little. We hope for curiosity

and marvelling, and were disappointed. He often deceived us, not deliberately but because he wanted not to disappoint. We met a woman, a smart young thing in a fur coat and hoppy heels and he said afterwards: "She was a beauty."

She was, but he could not have known. All faces look alike to him as Chinese faces do to us, and it will be weeks yet before he learns to see the differences.

He never knew my face properly in all the 10 days we were together, but he knew me instantly by my voice, clothes, walk, even breathing.

### Shocked

I think he was afraid in a way of seeing women. He seemed a bit shocked by what he thought were women's bare legs, not knowing then nylon tights could be seen through.

And he told me: "I always felt in my own way that women were lovely, but now I can see them I think they're ugly."

All right. We went to Trafalgar Square to show him Nelson's Column, another flop. But he enjoyed feeding the pigeons, having them flitting round him. And it was here that Jean Wallace made an important discovery.

### The lights

Still it was not. We showed him a lathe and asked him what it was and he felt it all over and said: "A lathe." And added: "Now I can feel it I can see." Feeling still came a long way first.

That night we looked at the lights in Piccadilly Circus and he loved. He kept saying "Wonderful... lovely..." and knew the difference between mauve and violet, which was more than I did for certain. Colour clearly was important to him.

Madame Tussaud's, on the third day, was a failure. He rushed round the kings and queens, then made for the Chamber of Horrors which was dismal, but even "here" he got tired after Crispin.

Why? Because in Madame Tussaud's the order is "Do Not Touch." A world without

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said, just to see: "Now try it blind."

He closed his eyes, felt the board with his finger tips and stepped back to throw. And, playing like this, he beat the lot of us.

### The fear

After three days I asked him what was the most important thing to him about sight so far. He said: "Life—seeing things alive," meaning that the blind must often fear the world has gone dead around them.

So I asked if this meant he had changed his mind about wanting to see and having more operations, and he said: "No. I've not seen anything yet. I'd call really beautiful, and I don't think I've missed a lot in 50 years."

And he added: "I still think I was better off as I was in my tinpot way."

On that third night the two scientists and I sat up worrying about how to make this man change his mind, happily, and remembering what he had said about life. I asked: "Suppose I took him to see some tremendous spectacle, full of sunshine and life and dancing and colour—would that help the breakthrough?"

Richard Gregory said, cautiously: "It's more likely to come as a gradual process, but a sudden, overwhelming experience might do it."

"It's not scientific, but it's worth trying." I asked the hospital if it was all right for Sidney Bradford to go a longish journey in the sunshine and they said yes, it was a good idea.

So what happened when we got there, he and I, was nobody's fault—as I will tell you tomorrow.

## JUST FANCY THAT

**A** POLICEMAN said at Leeds that while motor-cycling over high ground 500 ft. above sea level he looked down and saw an aeroplane flying below him. The pilot, 40-year-old aerial photographer Jack Braithwaite, of Parkstone Grove, Leeds, was fined £35 with £13 18s. costs for flying too low over a congested area.

**DRAPER** Pierre Drefus, attacked by four Paris bandits, couldn't name any of them to the police, but he provided the chest, waist, arm, and leg measurements of the one he had been measuring for a suit.

**ACTRESS** Maria Schell, aged 32, and married 11 months, interviewed in New York, told a reporter who asked for her measurements: "That is of concern to my husband only."

**LIVE** rattlesnakes, two alive, three stuffed, are on their way from America to No. 66 Squadron, Fighter Command, Acklington, Northumberland. The snakes, whose insignia is a coiled rattlesnake, advertised for a snake as its mascot. The live snakes—American airmen at Bentwaters, Suffolk, paid for one will be kept in a glass case.

## Con-Men's Big Haul

**TRADESPEOPLE** all over Great Britain were robbed of \$30,000 last year—including a woman undertaker who lost \$200—by a team of confidence tricksters who "sold" advertisements in non-existent trade directories.

These frauds started in a big way early in 1950, when hundreds of smooth-talking "salesmen" began a door-to-door tour of British cities and towns.

They represented themselves as salesmen for reputable trade directories, and, with cleverly-worded "sales pitches," collected advertising fees for books that were never published. They remained unsuspected until the competition among the frauds became so fierce that they began to "double" their calls.

### SUSPICIOUS

Many customers became suspicious and cancelled their orders, and the salesmen asked the customers to sign the "cancellation forms," which were in fact new agreements to pay.

In some cases the con-men have avoided prosecution because their cunningly-worded documents are technically within the law.

The woman undertaker who lost \$200 told me: "I now know how these rogues have swindled me. Nearly a dozen of them have defrauded me during the past year."

"Some claimed that they had published adverts and others got money by asking me to advertise in future publications, but I have not seen or heard of any adverts being published."

Another victim was the Reverend Mother of Lourdes Mount High School for Girls at Ealing, London.

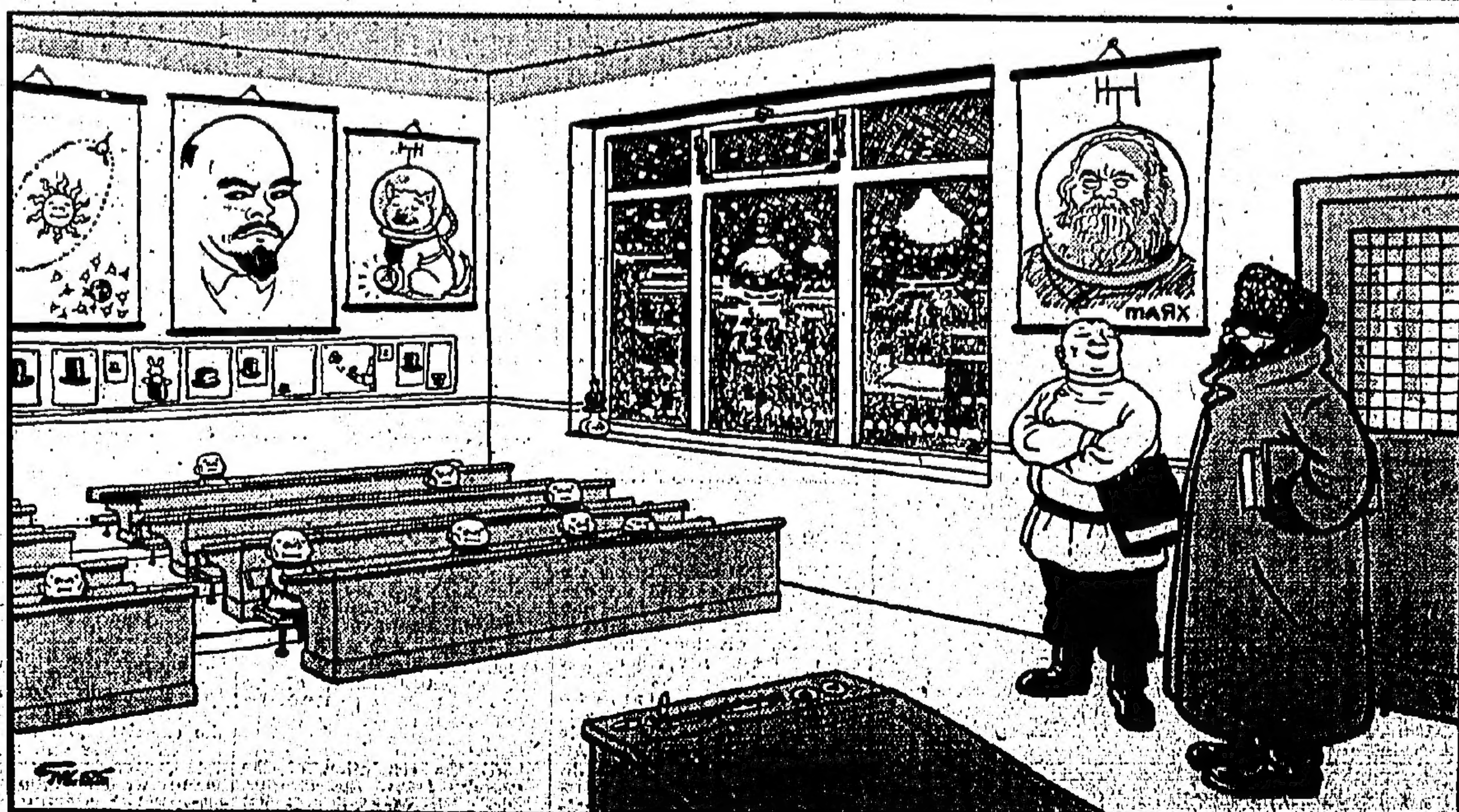
A Sister, speaking on behalf of the Reverend Mother, said: "Yes, we've had many of those gentlemen calling and collecting money for 'some vaguely-named directories.'"

The headmaster of a school in Kent said: "We discovered the frauds by accident, because I asked the agent to call two days later. In the meantime, the legitimate traveller called

By MICHAEL RYAN

company and then returned and demanded \$200. He proved his point by presenting that signature, but we claimed that we would never sign for such a large amount. He explained that it was for five years, but the man who signed it thought it was only for ONE year, so we refused to pay."

The managing director of a firm of electrical wholesalers told me: "One agent obtained a signature from a member of the



Comrade Kruachev started something, professor. Fifty-six of them can't come today because they've got diplomatic toothache.

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**Cheering Crowds, Banners, Bands  
—Everything Was Regal Until  
Play Started—And Then—UGH!!**

By I. M. MACTAVISH

Saturday the seventh of March 1959 . . . twenty thousand cheering fans . . . a warm afternoon . . . all the trimmings of a Royal occasion.

It was the perfect setting for a momentous moment in Hong-kong football but let us be as honest and forthright as our distinguished visitor has always shown himself to be and admit unreservedly it was a Royal shame that His Royal Highness, The Duke of Edinburgh had to sit through 45 minutes of the worst soccer we have seen here in ages. A petition should be sent to Prince Philip telling him in regal language that we can do much better than this; it would be a tragedy if we let him believe that this was our best effort.

His Royal Highness, delighted at the cheering crowd with his characteristic gentility . . . but even the invisible wand of the 'yes' life, Prince Charming, could not wave a spell of inspiration over the players.

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## A Great Pity

It was all a great pity . . . a great anti-climax at what should have been the most wonderful moment of our football lives.

But let us get things in perspective. The main event of the day was the miserable display of the non-Chinese side. Everything else went off like clockwork . . . the losers, unfortunately, had a broken midget.

The South China Stadium looked its very best. The fresh paint gleamed, the bright bunting rustled lazily whenever a breath of wind gave the flags even a hint of encouragement, and the gay trimmings around the Royal Box in the main stand made it a colourful picture.

The spectators were obviously only too keen to join in the spirit of things and they greeted the players with the most generous applause to the Royal Box. The Hongkong Regiment for their excellent pre-match performance.

As was to be expected there was no late withdrawal from either side and as Ho Cheung-yau and Roy Moss led out their respective teams, the crowd sat back in anticipation of a wonderful game.

In such a frame of mind the spectators must have taken the play that followed pretty badly . . . unless of course they were fanatics who wanted only an overwhelming victory.

## Weakness Spotted

The Combined Chinese ran into form as quickly as their opponents ran into trouble. Right from the start of the game the Chinese made forward runs and the Chinese made forward runs and the Chinese made forward runs.

Not that it took a lot of rippling. Green was in his most certain mood. In the first couple of minutes he failed to intercept a dangerous cross and immediately afterwards he almost gave away a goal by palming the ball weakly to an opponent when he had all the time in the world to clutch and clear.

Sharp was having a most unenviable time. He frequently found himself confronted by three Chinese forwards and, with Cain completely bewildered by all that was going on, the full-back was left to fight many a lone battle. He did a grand job and even in difficulties he

managed to keep some kind of watch on Wong Chi-keung . . . but I would willingly have given a golden penny for his thoughts during some parts of the game. I'm sure it would have been a good buy!

## Tragedy For Green

It was soon obvious that goals had to come and even in the early stages it looked as though there was going to be a heavy harvest.

The first counter came in the 34th minute and it was a real tragedy for Green. The big goalkeeper got caught in two minds while he was struggling straighten out his thoughts. Yiu Cheuk-yin coolly lobbed the ball over his head.

It was a clever goal representing the difference in speed of thought between the two central figures concerned.

The Chinese boys were content to play thrust and parry with their opponents at this stage. They did get the ball into the net again through Lo Kwok-tai but the referee very correctly chalked it off for an earlier infringement.

Things looked more promising in the 23rd minute when the non-Chinese got the equaliser. They forced a corner on the right and when the ball came across via a couple of heads, Holland did some astonishing contortions to nod it into the net. This was a fine example of Holland the opportunist. What a pity he got so few chances.

## Terrible Hash

The goal was the timely reminder the Chinese boys needed and they rushed right back into attack. With the ball out on the right wing non-Chinese winger Johnson nipped back to head the ball. He got the ball but, instead of clearing it, he decided to treat the crowd to a bit of clever stuff; he was dispossessed and as the ball was whipped roundwards Yiu Cheuk-yin was right on the spot to kick it home. The Chinese were in the lead again and they never looked back.

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Five minutes later we were treated to one of the new rare touches of vintage Mok Chun-wah. The little winger cut along the bye line, slipped the ball through Davies' legs, and laid on a perfect chance for Ho Cheung-yau to make the score 4-1.

## A Great Roar

Just as we had decided that the Duke of Edinburgh was going to arrive to find the Chinese leading by three, a terrible slipper Roy Moss, who had been prattling tirelessly to get some life into his side, retreated to help his overworked defenders.

Unfortunately when he got the ball away out near the left hand corner flag he decided to do a 'Johnson' act. He fiddled with the ball, lost it to Lok Tak-hing who immediately swept it goalwards for Ho Cheung-yau to bang it home. Moss hung his head as the scoreboard went to 5-1.

A great roar greeted HRP Prince Philip as he stepped into the arena. He had friendly words and significant gestures for both slippers and his informality soon put the crowd at their ease.

Unfortunately it did nothing to improve the football of the non-Chinese and four minutes after the start the local boys were further ahead.

Davies made a late tackle on Mok Chun-wah in the penalty area. He failed to get the ball cleanly and for Mok Young-tai pointed to the spot. "Dead spot" Kwok-tai made no mistake with such a chance.

The game deteriorated steadily. The non-Chinese pushed Cain onto the left wing and were virtually a ten-man side. Watson tried hard but without support it was tough going against a resolute Chinese defence and the talented RAF boy suffered in the general decline around him.

It was fitting that Ho Cheung-yau, the Chinese skipper, and head and shoulders above everyone as the outstanding player on the field, should get the last goal of the day. This made the final score 7-1 and gave the little South Chinese star a personal tally of four goals. It was a real performance fit for a Prince.

The Chinese played a lot of clever football. They were worth every inch of their victory and more. They always played as a team and young Lok Tak-hing did surprisingly well in his first big game. He could very easily capture the left-half position for his own in the near future.

## Top Stars

Ho Cheung-yau and Yiu Cheuk-yin were the game's top stars with Chan Fal-hung and Szeto Yiu also playing big time stuff.

The losers will want to forget this match as soon as they can. They put up nothing more than the most nominal resistance but if any reputations were tarnished the people to blame were the selectors. I hope to have something more to say about this at a later date.

Davies did not have his usual competent game. As Ho Cheung-yau and Yiu Cheuk-yin shared six goals, Holland and Woodcock must carry a big share of the blame for the day's inglorious effort. . . but it would be unfair to be too critical of any of them for a team must have eleven determined and capable players from the start. This one didn't.

The non-Chinese forward line looked good enough on paper but on the pitch—and that is what matters—there was a terrible hash. The Chinese were in the lead again and they never looked back.

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## Luton Enter FA Cup Semi-Finals



Luton last Wednesday entered the FA Cup semi-finals when they beat Blackpool by 1-0 in their sixth round replay at Luton, Bedfordshire.

Photo shows a gallant scoring effort by Charnley, Blackpool's centre-forward, as he dives and heads the ball towards the Luton goal, only to see it tipped over the bar by Luton goalkeeper Baynam.

Watching are Stanley Matthews, Blackpool outside-right and Syd Owen, Luton centre-half and captain (right).—Reuterphoto.

## Disappointing Softball Weekend

# TWO UPSETS & REPETITION OF 'NO UMPIRES' BUSINESS THE MAIN FEATURES

By OLLY VAS

When it happens for the first time you may be inclined to overlook it. The second time it occurs you may not feel so charitably disposed. But when it happens for the third time I'd be the last to blame you if you started penning indignant letters to the Press demanding an explanation from the HK Softball Association.

I am of course referring to the absolutely repetitious repetition of the 'no umpires' business which forced the postponement once again of the Senior softball match between the Saints and the Pandas. This makes it three in a row this season with these two Senior teams as the red-faced victims for the second time running.

The fact that the Plate Umpire who was supposed to officiate at this game did not receive the advance notice by the Association does not absolve them one bit from taking the blame for this state of affairs. Oh yes, efforts were made to recruit umpires on the spot but a bit of foresight much earlier on would have saved the governing body a great deal of embarrassment.

The umpiring situation definitely needs looking into. When I suggested in this column that defaulting umpires be penalised as was done years before, the powers that be merely ignored the idea. Makes you think doesn't it?

Unassailable

Congratulations go to the South China AA ladies who by virtue of a magnificent 12-2 win over the Hurricanes are in an unassailable position to win the ladies' championship this season. The game lasted only five short innings as the Carolines' Yim Lai-sheung limited the red-shirts to a solitary hit which came off the bat of Francesca Andrade. Yim struck out eight batters and had the Hurricanes swinging at nothing throughout the game.

Turned The Tables

Two upset featured the weekend games. The same Alvarez who was blasted off the mound by the Cheyennes not so long ago turned the tables on the tide yesterday when he led the US Navy team from the "Orcas" to a shock 4-1 victory against a full Cheyenne nine.

The Cheyennes were blanked for five innings before manager Robert Remedios hit a homer to give his side a face-saving run. The sailors led 2-0 for the better part of the game and second-sacker "Uncle" then made it 4-0 in the bottom of the fifth inning with a resounding four-bagger, good for two runs.

The Junior Cheyennes fared better. They were given a bit of a fight for the first few innings when the Stardusts trailed by 1-2 for four innings. They then settled down in the last three frames to tally seven times and take the game by a score of nine runs to one. The winners' Henry Vianina was in grand form on the mound. He gave up only two hits to the Stardusts, both of which came late in the game.

On some loose infield play by the Hurricanes. Two homers in the fifth sandwiched between three sharp singles accounted for five more runs to make it 12-0.

The losers replied with a pair of runs when South China pitcher Yim overthrew the ball to first base and let in the Hurricanes' only tallies in the fourth inning. All in all, a very disappointing weekend for league softball.

Evanson, Mar. 8.

Pancho Gonzales defeated Low Road for the second time in two successive days today, 6-4, 0-6, 6-4, in Jack Kramer's touring professional tennis play.

Kramer, 27, playing for the first weekend this year to replace the ill Mal Anderson, suffered his second defeat at the hands of Ashley Cooper, 8-6.

In doubles competition, Road and Cooper beat Kramer and Gonzales, 8-5, 7-1.

# THE FATHER WHO RISKED HIS JOB FOR HIS SON

By ALAN MOBY

A proud father sat in the stands watching his son play for Arsenal at Highbury recently against Manchester United. And as he watched, just another spectator amid the multitude which, before the kick-off, had jostled so impatiently at the turnstiles, his mind flashed back to the time when he risked everything—even his job—for that same son.

It was an ugly Saturday nearly eight years ago when, amid howls of "Resign" and "Get Out," BILL DODGIN, then Fulham's team manager, walked down the touchline at Craven Cottage.

Fists were waved in his face. The atmosphere was electric. Newly-promoted Fulham were sinking, into the Second Division, and team boss Dodgin was getting the blame.

One reason for being labelled the scapegoat lay in his insistence in playing his own flesh and blood—Bill Dodgin Jr.—in the team.

The Fulham fans didn't like it. They said it was family favouritism. They said that young Bill was raw, immature.

Boos. Insults.

Hence the boos . . . the insults . . . the threats even of physical violence as his father ran that cowardly gauntlet of abuse from the stands.

But, to his eternal credit, Bill Dodgin never faltered. He just walked straight on, smiling his famous smile.

I reminded him of that infamous scene when I called on the graying, 49-year-old Dodgin, now out of football, at his Worcester Park home last week. The man who played half-back for Huddersfield, Charlton, and Southampton . . . the man who, in a 30-year career stretching back 30 years has been team manager and coach of Southampton, Fulham, Brentford, and Sampdoria F.C. of Italy, just grinned—his old, engaging grin.

"I bear no grudges," he said. "I played young Bill in the team strictly on merit."

"What those Fulham supporters who got at me didn't realise was that young Bill's inclusion in the defence was helping to cut down the goals scored against us. Unfortunately, the improvement came too late."

"That's why you decided to transfer him to Arsenal?" I said.

"Yes," Dodgin replied. "The boos and insults didn't worry me, personally, but I realised that some of the crowd were making his life miserable, giving him the third every time he kicked the ball, and generally trying to get at me through him."

Under-rated

"It wasn't fair on the lad and it only made me more determined to secure Bill's future before the inevitable happened and I was asked to resign."

"And now?" I asked again. "You watch him every time he is a home game at Highbury?"

"Yes," said Bill Dodgin, "and quite a lot of away games, too. I'm his hardest critic, although I must say that I consider he is one of the most under-rated centre halves in football."

There it was again—that intense family loyalty oozing out from every Dodgin pore. Yet there was more than a germ of truth behind Bill senior's unabashed pride in his own son.

The evil that men do lingers on, but as Dodgin Sr. says: "Young Bill has had to live down a hell of a lot because of all that fuss at Fulham."

Into Business

Until this point a word had been uttered about the football future of Bill Dodgin himself.

I told him so. Then Dodgin Sr. propped his bombshell. In three weeks' time the man who has signed and sold soccer stars worth thousands of pounds will begin a new life.

Instead of dealing in footballers he will sell sweets, chocolates, and cigarettes over the counter.

Instead of counting ulcers, or jussing his nervous system, on the crazy switchback of football management, he will smilingly ring up the cash register at his new shop in West Byfleet, near Woking.

The three guys the rest of football knows as "Gentlemen Bill" is going into business—only it will be a vastly different business from the cut-throat, catch-as-catch-can football circus it has been. Decades as player and manager, I looked at him . . . disbelievably.

Was this really the Bill Dodgin who, at Fulham, had such a big hand in the early grooming of that trio, Johnny Hayes, Bobby Robson, and Roy Dwight, that today they are worth £100,000?

Was this the Bill Dodgin who, while at Brentford, sold Jimmy Bloomfield to Arsenal for £12,000?

"That's right. There wasn't much money at Brentford," he replied. "Why did you leave and go to Italy?" I asked.

A 'Whisper'

"I heard a 'whisper' and I thought it better to move first. But I stayed on, as requested, to the end of the season."

Finally, I put the 19-carat question: "Are you really turning your back on it all now that you will soon be a shopkeeper?"

"Not if someone offers me a decent job in football," he replied. "But it must be a DECENT job."

"Mind you, I always wanted a business outside the game, but if anything came along, my family will look after the shop."

And with the emphasis—"as always"—on the blood-lies of the "family," the father who could never do too much for his son, shook hands with me and went back to his gardening. (London Express Service).

## American Skier Performs The Hat-Trick

Aspen, Colorado, Mar. 8.

American skiing ace, Max Marolt, won the hat-trick in the Aspen Ski Championships here today when he won the downhill event in 2 mins 16.1 secs.

Werner had won the giant slalom and the special slalom, my family will look after the shop."

In the downhill today, Sten Harwood (US) placed second in 2 mins 21.1 secs. Max Marolt (US) was third in 2 mins 22.3 secs and Austria's Toni Marth took fourth in 2 mins 22.5 secs.

The Aspen Championships are selection try-outs for the American Olympic ski team for the Squaw Valley 1960 games—France-Press.

## China Beats East Germany At Table Tennis

Berlin, March 8.

China beat East Germany by eight matches to four in an international table tennis match at Erfurt yesterday, the East German news agency, ADN, reported today.

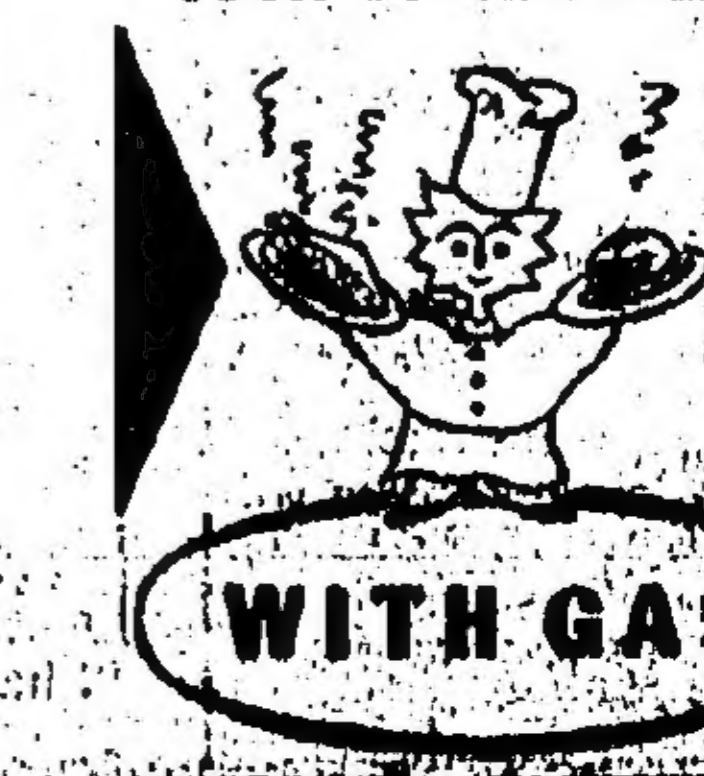
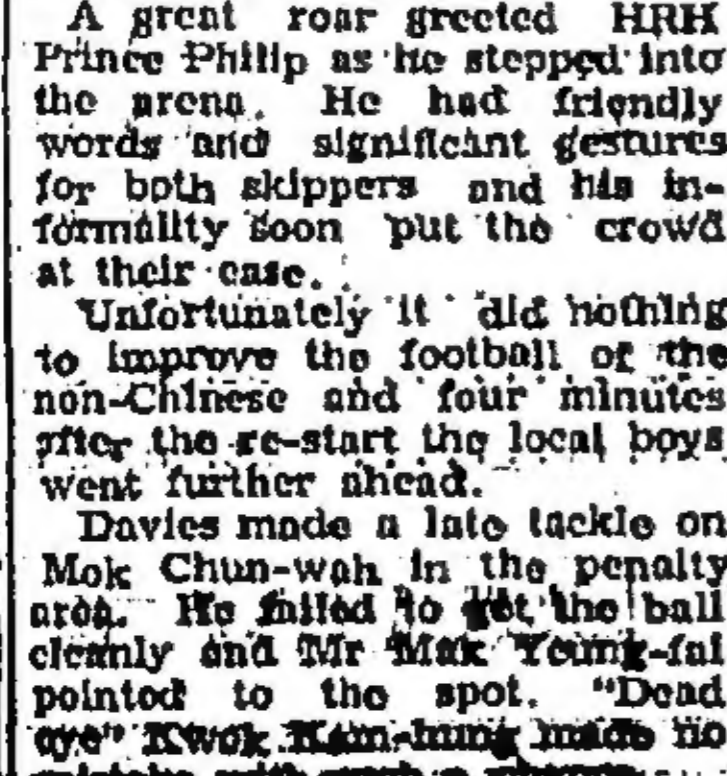
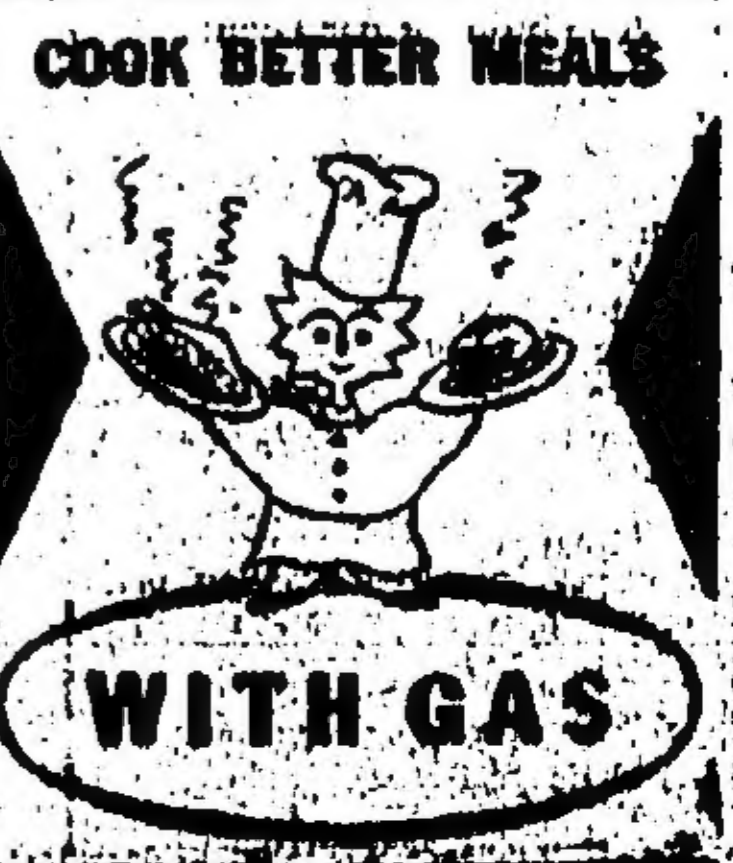
The Chinese won the men's contest 5-3 and the women's 3-1.—Reuter.

## THE GAMBOLES

By Barry Appleby



## COOK BETTER MEALS



## Veteran Thomas Returns To Welsh XV To Play Ireland On Saturday

London, March 8. The "veteran" centre Malcolm Thomas, holder of 25 caps, returns to the Welsh side to play Ireland in the five nations rugby tournament next Saturday on the strength of one brilliant performance.

This was, in the Barbarians-Blackheath match last week when he scored three tries, one of them, a magnificent solo effort when he ran from half-way line right through the Blackheath defence to score between the posts.

### Two Other Changes

Thomas, who was not even picked for the Welsh trial matches, replaces Hadyn Davies.

Two other changes are made by the Welsh selectors in the side beaten 6-5 by Scotland on February 7.

Hadyn Morgan replaces John Lelu at wing-forward while Ian Ford makes way for new cap John Harris in the second row of the scrum.

Ireland retains the side which beat Scotland 6-3 on February 28.

### The Teams

The teams are:

**Wales**  
Full-back: T. Davies (Llanelli).  
Three-quarters: J. Collins (Aberavon), Malcolm Thomas (Newport), P. Price (Pontypool), D. Bebb (Carnarvon Technical College, Swansea).  
Fly-half: C. Ashton (Aberavon).  
Scrum-half: L. Williams (Cardiff).  
Forwards: H. Morgan (Aberavon), J. Fnull (Swansea), captain, D. Harris (Pontypool), R. W. Williams (Llanelli), D. Main (London Welsh), B. Meredith (Newport), R. Prosser (Pontypool).

### IRELAND

Full-back: N. Henderson (North of Ireland).  
Three-quarters: A. O'Reilly (Leicester), J. Dolley (Galwegians), D. Hewitt (Belfast University), N. Brophy (Dublin University).  
Fly-half: M. English (Limerick Bohemians).  
Scrum-half: A. Mulligan (London Irish).  
Forwards: R. Kavanagh (Wanderers), A. O'Sullivan (Galwegians), N. Murphy (Cork Institution), W. Mulcahy (Dublin University), G. Cullinane (Wanderers), S. Miller (Ballymena), A. Dawson (Wanderers, captain), B. Wood (Carrigrohane).—France-Press.

## DOUBLE CROSS COUNTRY WIN BY MIMOUN

Caen, March 8. Alain Mimoun, France's Melbourne Olympics marathon winner, won his second big cross country event in eight days when he won the Meizidon International near here today.

The wily Mimoun, with his shuffling economical gait, sprinted past the Moroccan, Rhadi, in the final metres of the 8 kilometres (five miles) race to win by two seconds in 20 mins 32 secs.

French runners filled the first five places followed by the Belgian Van Der Hooven. Mimoun won last Sunday's cross country race at Tremblay, near Paris.—France-Press.

## Sports Diary

**TODAY**  
Colonial Junior Badminton Championships matches at Takko Club, 7.30 p.m.

**TOMORROW**  
Athletics  
Green Howards Inter-Company annual athletic meeting, Stanley, 2 p.m.

# Lira May Lure Players To Italy

## END OF THE STORY



Bengal Scroll crashes and throws his locky, C. Finnegan, after the second jump in the Cotswold Steeplechase at the Cheltenham meeting last Tuesday.—Reuterphoto.

## SITE FOR WORLD TITLE FIGHT TO BE ANNOUNCED TOMORROW

New York, March 8. American boxing promoter Bill Rosenzohn confirmed here tonight that he would announce on Tuesday the site of the World heavyweight boxing title bout between holder Floyd Patterson and Sweden's champion Ingemar Johansson.

Rosenzohn, who is organising the bout, will choose among New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Minneapolis and Baltimore.

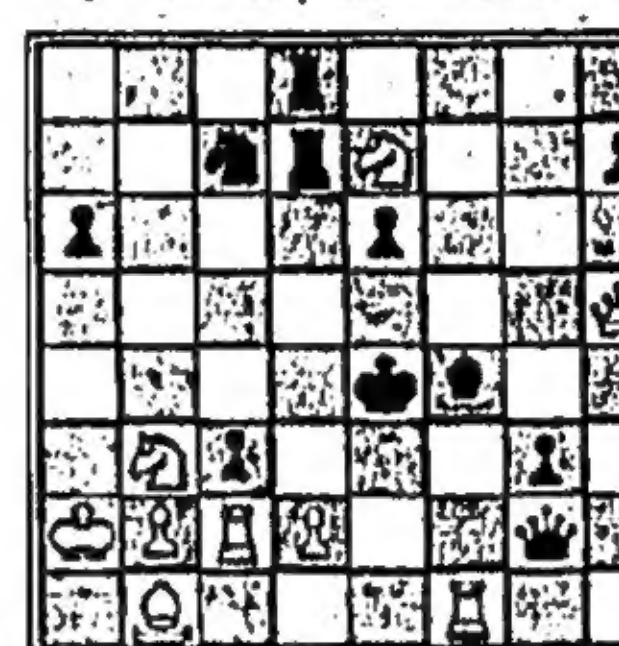
Rosenzohn said that the date for the fight would depend on the site that was chosen. If New York got the selection, the world championship bout would probably be held at the end of June this year, he added.—France-Press.

## South American Soccer Result

Buenos Aires, Mar. 8. Uruguay beat Bolivia 7-0 in the South American soccer championships here today. The score was 3-0 at half-time.—Reuter.

## CHESS

by LEONARD BARDEN



Here is a problem by J. Hartong (To Mat. 1954). White to play and mate in two moves. —London Express Service.

## WORLD SOCCER BALANCE OF POWER IN DANGER OF BEING UPSET

By TOM FINNEY

(Of Preston North End and England)

The tall and elegant Prince Lanza lazily surveyed the toe of his shoe and then said casually: "Play for Palermo for two seasons and I can promise you £10,000." We were dining together at the banquet given for the Italian and English teams in Florence in 1952. For a moment, the room was a golden blur.

Then my senses returned and I told him: "I'll have to place the offer in front of my directors before making any decision." The following week, the Preston Board refused to consider placing me on the transfer list—and so ended my chance of sampling the big-money delights of the Italian League.

But soon, I believe, such offers to internationalists the world over will become commonplace, for a revolution is taking place in Italian football which may have far-reaching results.

The wealthy financiers who control the destinies of many of the top clubs are trying to sweep away the law which says that only one foreigner can appear in an Italian League side.

### Confident

The majority of Continental experts expect the ban to be lifted within the next 12 months and the financiers are even more confident.

It is no secret that they have already received detailed reports on many of the more famous British players, and that Juventus' dapper chief scout Gigi Peronace has been watching Swansea's Mel Charles.

Ask yourself why Mr Peronace—filled with his foreign quota ably filled by John Charles—should be interested in brother Mel and you begin to realise just how near this threatened move may be.

Why is it so important? Because it is possible that the lure of Italian gold could skin the cream off the top footballing nations and alter the whole balance of power in world football. Already the single signing of John Charles has taken the

sting out of the Welsh attack. No country, however strong, can afford to lose its top-liners. Remember how Hungary fell away from its soccer pinnacle once Ferenc Puskas and his friends went into exile? If the Italian financiers have their way there could be a very real danger of the great Brazilian team being broken up while the plans of many nations might receive serious set-backs. How about Britain?

### Fees Too High

I am sure that players such as Manchester United's Bobby Charlton, Fulham's Johnny Haynes and Huddersfield's Dennis Law would be high on the lists of wanted players.

But I believe that Britain would lose fewer real top-class players than most of the other footballing nations. By world standards, our transfer fees have reached an inflated level, and I doubt whether even the Italian financiers would wish to compete in the bidding for anything but the very best.

As Britain's international prestige has fallen so, too, has the demand for her players. Real Madrid, perhaps the only truly cosmopolitan club in Europe, includes Frenchmen, Brazilians, Argentinians, Hungarians, Spaniards, and Swedes... but no Britishers.

### Incentive

They have, I understand, shown interest in only one footballer on this side of the Channel during recent years... a current English international... but after discovering the probable fee they quickly made a bid for Pele of Brazil. Players will have the incentive of a large slice of the fee and many will probably welcome the opportunity. I still remember my own immediate reaction at the mention of that £10,000.

But even so I don't think there will be anything approaching a stampede to Italy.

I have discussed the advantages and disadvantages of playing abroad with many of our most famous players and found most of them reluctant to leave the security of our own much-maligned League system. Many of us remember Bogota and the comments of men like Charlie Milton, Neil Franklin and George Mountford when they returned from the Columbian city which had looked like a footballer's idea of Heaven.

### Homesick

More recently we have studied the conflicting reports of life in the Italian League which have filtered back from John Charles, Tony March and Eddie Firmani.

Big John has confessed to being homesick and only Eddie seems completely happy. This isn't really surprising when you remember that these men have left their friends and family behind and are partly isolated from their new teammates by the language barrier.

In some cases, too, one must expect to face professional jealousy, for the Italian-born players must envy the riches of the foreign signings. Alan Hardacre, secretary of the Football League, told me on his return from Italy that the average professional over there earns very much less than his counterpart in Britain.

### Cloud

Still, despite the snags and the doubts, the cloud cast by the Italian financiers is still there on the horizon as large as ever. Whether it's a black, forbidding cloud or one tinged with a silver lining depends largely upon one's nationality. Personally I would be prepared to forgive a lot if a few Italian clubs can mirror the magic of Madrid.

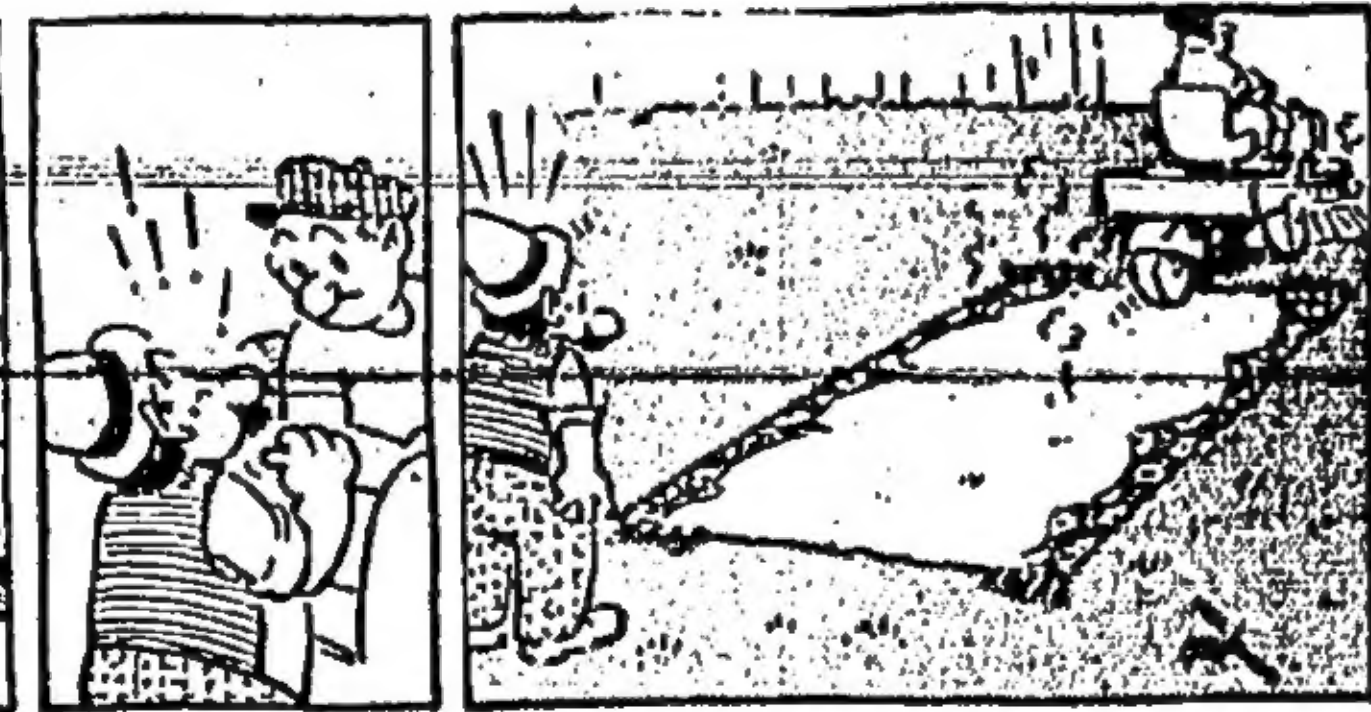
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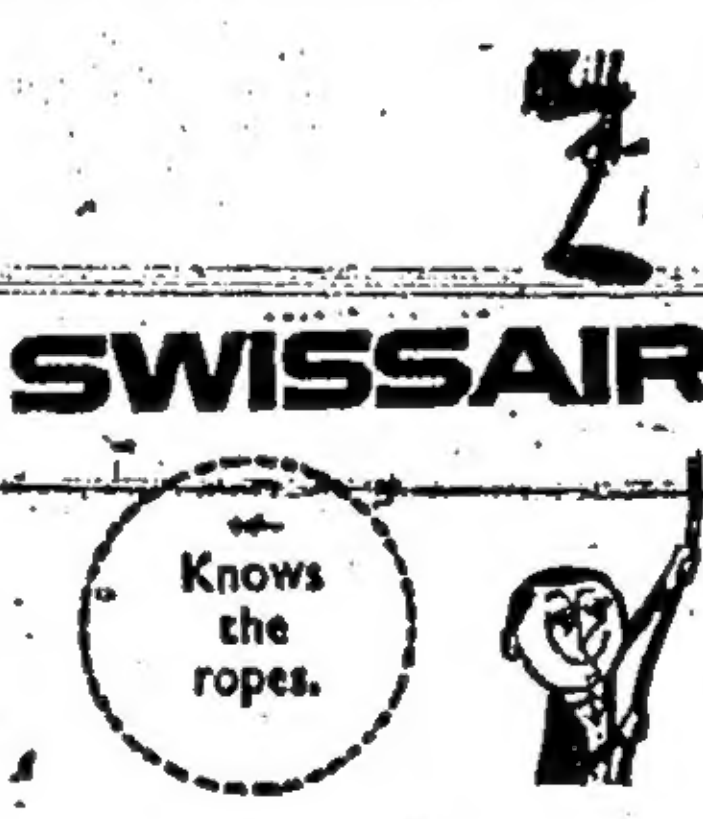
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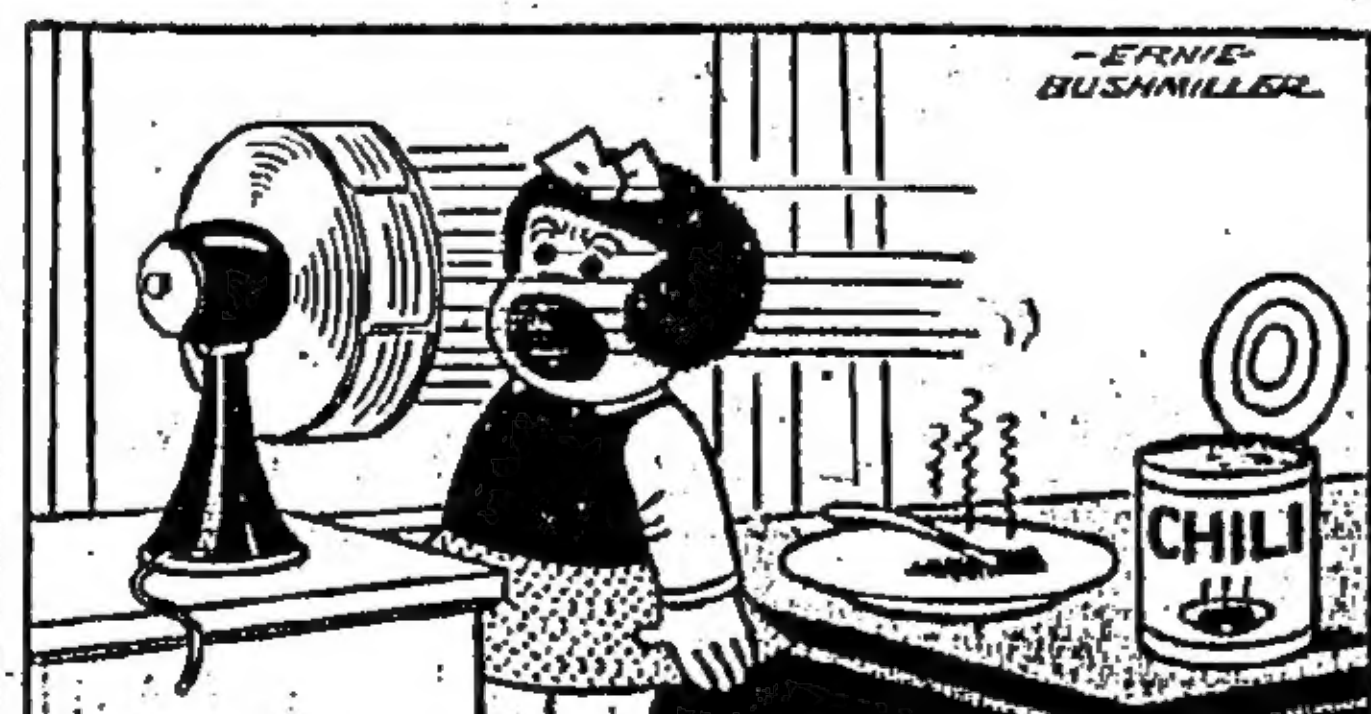
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## RUTHLESS SCHEME TO DECEIVE CREDITORS

"In my long career here I have never come across such an unscrupulous and ruthless scheme to deceive the creditors," said Mr. Justice C. W. Rocco at the public hearing of a bankrupt, Chan Koon-pak, at the Bankruptcy Court this morning.

Chan, of 183 Johnston Road, second floor, who petitioned for a receiving order in September, 1958, said he is now owing \$270,000.

He said in 1954, he required \$150,000 to pay off his debts but he carried on his provisions business in the hope that someone would join him in partnership. In the meantime, he said, he borrowed more money.

Questioned by Mr. C. M. Stevens, appearing for the Official Receiver, Chan agreed that he had sold his properties and shares which he inherited from his father since 1954.

**Family Scheme**

Mr. Justice Rocco remarked that if Chan had been declared bankrupt in 1954, he would be able to pay back from all the property the debts in full to the creditors.

But he did not do so, and instead he set about borrowing more money.

Even then, instead of using any of the property to pay off the debt, he set about raising a family scheme so as to dispose of the property as to make it appear that he had not nothing left, Mr. Justice Rocco said.

Hearing is continuing.

## No West Berlin Blockade

Berlin, March 8.

East Germany will not blockade West Berlin, the East German Premier, Herr Otto Grotewohl, said at a Government reception here for Mr. Nikita Khrushchev tonight.

Herr Grotewohl said the nations were fed up with the Cold War.

If people in the West thought that they could replace the Cold War by a war of diplomatic manoeuvre then I must say war will remain war and a diplomatic one will serve to prepare an atomic war as well.

Herr Grotewohl said that if President Eisenhower opposed a separate peace treaty between the Soviet Union and East Germany "he should first renounce the separate agreement of the Western powers with West Germany, signed in Paris."

"The Soviet proposal for a peace treaty with the two German states offers all possibilities for Eisenhower, too," he said.

**"Irresponsible"**

Herr Grotewohl said it seemed as if some American generals were threatening to shoot their way through to Berlin.

"What does this irresponsible talk mean with regard to the Soviet proposal to make West Berlin a demilitarised free city with free communications in all directions and guaranteed by all interested powers?" he asked.

He said his government had never had the intention of blockading West Berlin.

The handing over of Soviet control to East German authorities would "not be misused and will not endanger peace."

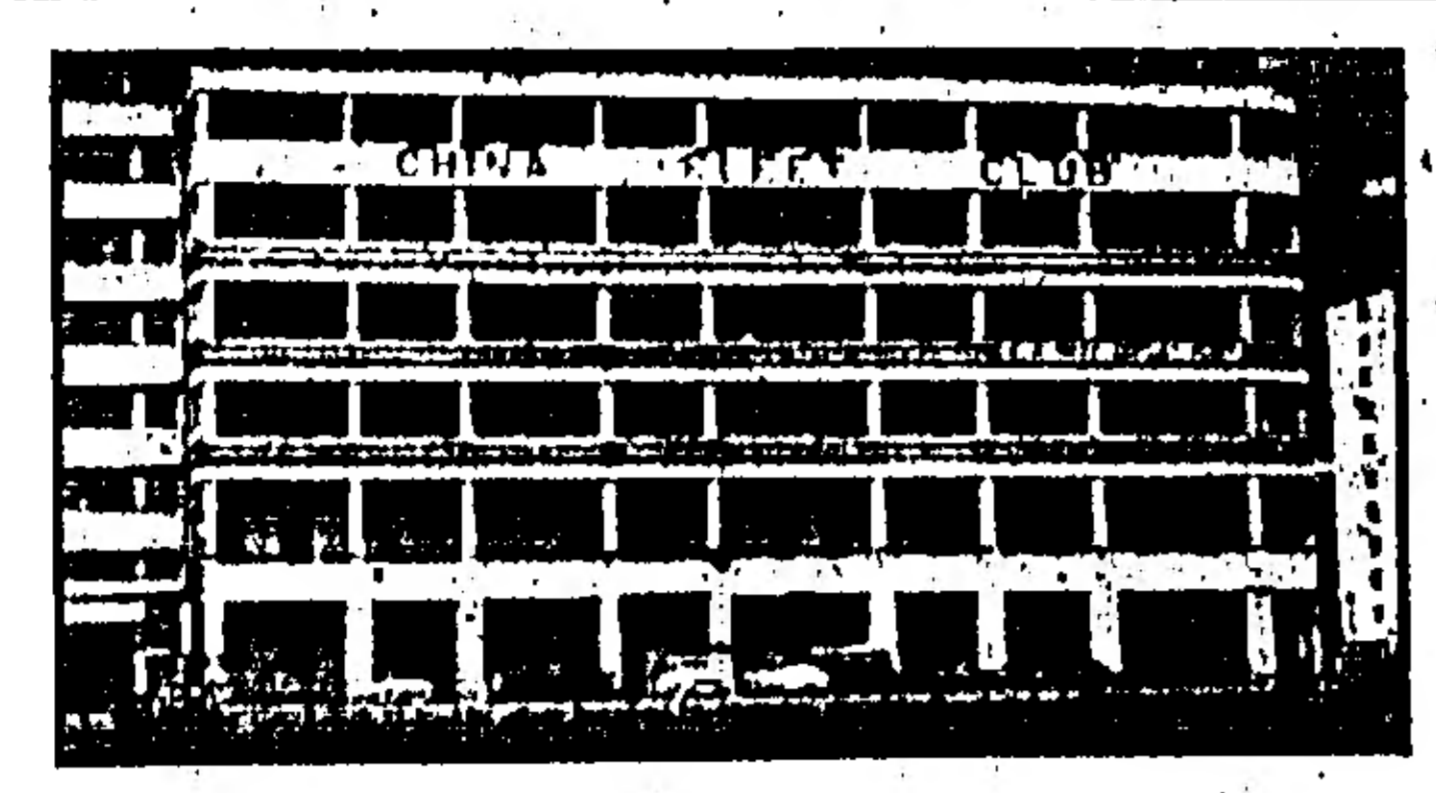
Herr Grotewohl said talks were being held with Mr. Khrushchev during his Berlin visit on all questions concerning a peace treaty and the turning of West Berlin into a free city.—Reuter.

## Couple Robbed

A Chinese couple was held up by two men and robbed of a wrist watch and a ball-pen to the total value of \$90 at a side lane off Cox's Road, Kowloon, shortly after ten o'clock last night. One of the robbers was armed with a dagger.

## POLICE OFFICER SUED

### Silver Jubilee Of China Fleet Club



The China Fleet Club today.—China Mail Photo.

The Governor, Sir Robert Black and Lady Black, will attend a cocktail party commemorating the Silver Jubilee of the China Fleet Club, this evening.

The President of the Club, Admiral Sir Gerald Gladstone, Commander-in-Chief, Far East Fleet, who is leaving the Colony on Saturday, will meet the Governor on arrival at the Fleet Club.

Commodore G. D. A. Gregory, the Fleet Club Chairman, will also be among the welcoming committee.

The China Fleet Club's silver anniversary actually falls on March 21, but because a number of senior naval officers will not be in the Colony at that time, it was decided to put the celebrations forward.

**Its Growth**

The Fleet Club has grown from a small Royal Navy Canton, which was situated at the

## Letters To The Editor

### CONFUSION OF STANDARDS

Sir,—Recent letters about music criticism at concerts give rise to an important question of principle.

There seems to be a notion abroad that because thousands cheer at a performance must therefore be good. What about Hitler and Mussolini of pre-war days? They were lustily cheered by millions of poor deluded boobies, but this did not make their policies any more morally right.

Equally, just because an audience in a — forgive me — provincial town may be enthusiastic over a mediocre performance it does not thereby raise that performance into a higher class.

By the same analogy some critics of the critics seem to think that because the American "National Theatre" and Academy sponsored the Golden Gate Quartet this entertaining group must therefore be above criticism.

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The present policy of this sponsorship, to my mind, arouses disquiet. I maintain that the audience policy of this show was misleading. One expected a serious concert of folk music and spirituals, in line with A.N.T.A.'s declared policy of presenting to the world the best of American culture. To class an admittedly skilful and attractive cabaret show with the performances of Moschovitch and Platigorsky—who also appeared under A.N.T.A. sponsorship—must spread confusion and doubt as to what standards America does recognise.

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It is as if one stood in front of an arresting and skilfully painted cinema poster advertising a forthcoming film, and were solemnly informed that this was Art with a capital A. There is a place indeed for shows like the Golden Gate Quartet in adding gaiety to our daily lives, but if such a group is to be sent out by A.N.T.A. in the same category as, say, the Los Angeles Philharmonic, Marian Anderson or Vito and Lara, then some deplorable confusion as to standards must exist in the minds of those administering the President's Fund.

This argues poorly for the making known of genuine American culture throughout the world. A constant sign of decadence in any civilisation has always been the loss of the self-critical faculty. In the artistic field a race with previously high standards. The

fusion of the two cultures, the American culture throughout the world. A constant sign of decadence in any civilisation has always been the loss of the self-critical faculty. In the artistic field a race with previously high standards. The

## Sequel To Man's Death In Road Accident

The father of a man killed in a motor accident sued the car driver—a Police Sub-Inspector—for damages this morning.

The mishap occurred while the man was riding a rickshaw in Queen's Road East on September 1 last year.

The case is being heard by Judge B. J. Jennings in the Victoria District Court.

The plaintiff is Mr. Lo Shung, advertising manager, of 205 Des Voeux Road West, and administrator of the estate of his son, Mr. Lo Kam-hon.

The defendant is Sub-Inspector Lo Yiu-cheung, of the Immigration Office, Police Headquarters.

The plaintiff's statement of the defence claims that Sub-Inspector Lo negligently drove his car which struck the rickshaw.

Mr. Lo Kam-hon suffered injuries, as a result of which he died at Queen Mary Hospital the same day.

### Utmost Care

Plaintiff claims damages limited under the District Court jurisdiction to \$5,000, and costs.

The defence claims that the police officer was driving with the utmost care and attention.

Sub-Inspector Lo's case is that the rickshaw had suddenly pulled out in front of his car and thus made it impossible to avoid the collision.

Giving evidence for the plaintiff, Sub-Inspector Kam In-ol, motor vehicles inspector of the Traffic Office, said he inspected the defendant's car after the accident.

He found a number of defects in the vehicle. The steering wheel was too loose, the handbrake was not satisfactory and the offside front wheel was tilted at an angle.

The bonnet of the car was damaged. The front bumper was bent and the radiator was dented, and the nearside front headlamp was broken. The nearside front mudguard was dented.

### Could Not Say

Sub-Inspector Kam told the court he could not say whether any of the damage was old or new at the time he examined them.

Cross-examined, witness said a handbrake was not used for pulling up a car suddenly. The footbrake was normally used for this purpose, he said.

Hearing is continuing.

Mr. P. Chan, of Lau, Chan & Co., is for the plaintiff. The Sub-Inspector is defended by Mr. W. H. Carr, of Johnston, Stokes & Master.

## MAN HELD FOR TRAFFIC OFFENCES

Michael Peter, 20, was remanded in custody for three days pending a probationary officer's report, when he pleaded guilty to three traffic offences.

The defendant admitted to Mr. A. L. Leathen at Kowloon Court this morning that he had driven a car without a valid licence, without third party insurance and without the owner's consent.

The prosecution is being conducted by Sub-Inspector J. P. Wilson, who said on March 7, the defendant, while reversing out of Austin Road into Parks Street, hit a taxi, and then drove away at high speed.

## COOLER WEATHER MAY CONTINUE

A cold front passed through the Colony yesterday, causing a drop in temperatures overnight.

At 8 a.m. today the minimum temperature recorded at the Royal Observatory was 62 degrees, nearly seven degrees lower than yesterday.

The maximum temperature was 76.8 degrees, and an Observatory spokesman said he expected the maximum today would be about 11 degrees lower.

The outlook for tomorrow is practically the same, he said, but it should be slightly colder, and cloudy with patches of drizzle and light rain.

## Boy Injured

A seven-year-old boy was injured yesterday afternoon when he was knocked down by a private car in Chun Tin Street near its junction with Hok Yuen Street, Hung Hom.

The injured boy, Bai Lai-choi, of No. 25, Chun Tin Street, second floor, was admitted to Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

## Broke Pai Lau Flower Pots

Two soldiers who admitted smashing three clay flower pots under the palau on Nathan Road erected for the Duke of Edinburgh's visit, were each fined \$100 or one month in gaol by Mr. T. Creedon at Kowloon Court this morning.

They were James Evelt, 21 and Thomas Edgell, 21, drivers of a Company, TASC.

They were also ordered to pay \$7.50 to the Kowloon Kai-fong Welfare Association, for the damage.

A Police constable who was on duty in Nathan Road near the Prince's Theatre at about 1 a.m. today, heard a noise of breaking flower pots.

The constable saw the two men standing beside three broken flower pots.

He stopped them from breaking any more and took them to Tameshast Police Station.

In answer to the magistrate's question as to whether they had any explanation for their actions, they said No.

## He's Travelled On 56 Different Ships



MR. LOFTS  
China Mail Photo.

## The Man Who Has Made More Than 178 Sea Voyages

By THE CHINA MAIL SHIPPING REPORTER

An 80-year-old Briton completed his 178th voyage in P & O ships when he arrived in the RMS Carthage from Singapore this morning.

A retired metal dealer from Worcestershire, Mr. Arthur Charles Lofts has spent practically half his life travelling in 56 ocean going ships.

Mr. Lofts began his travels on board the Batavia in December 1903. Since then he has travelled continuously to various ports of the East, including Aden, Port Said, Colombo, Penang, Bombay, Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama.

Between 1918 and 1920, Mr. Lofts made a number of trans-Atlantic voyages which are not included in his 178 trips.

His travelling was, however, interrupted during the second World War and he stayed in Ceylon.

In 1949, Mr. Lofts began travelling again. He retired from business and closed his metal firm in England in 1953. But retirement did not mean the end of travelling.

With two homes in the Far East—one in Singapore and the

## GREATEST REVOLUTION OF OUR AGE

Tel-Aviv, Mar. 8.

Mr. David Ben-Gurion, Israeli Prime Minister, tonight described the weakening of the African and Asian nations as the "greatest revolution in the history of the first half of 20th century."

Mr. Ben-Gurion told the National Convention of the Progressive Party here that the East-West struggle for the "souls" of the Afro-Asian nations was probably the most important aspect of the Cold War today.

He referred to the "paradox" of the hostility of Israel's closest neighbours compared with the friendship shown her by the remote countries of Asia and Africa.

Mr. Ben-Gurion said these ties with Afro-Asian nations might constitute a long, but sure way towards Israel's aim of establishing peace and co-operation with her neighbours.—Reuter.

## From the Files 25 years AGO

THE SCM Post had this to say on the question of the Nathan Road Banyan Trees.

"The decision to remove the fine banyan trees that made an avenue of Kowloon's principal thoroughfare appears to have been reached quietly and put into execution with a swiftness almost furtive and suggesting fear of opposition."

"That Kowloon residents should protest is not surprising; such complaints, indeed, when a similar proposal was mooted some eight years ago. The trees already lined Nathan Road and other of the Peninsula's ways when all, but the very oldest residents came; and undoubtedly they have added to the attractiveness and inhabitableness of Kowloon, making it at one time a restful suburb, then helping the rural atmosphere to resist the prevailing hardness of rapidly acquired urbanity."

"They were overgrown, they were shady, they harboured birds. They weathered with those who dwell in their shelter, the typhoons and endured the droughts. Young Kowloon grew up with them; and when one fell it was a public bereavement. Kowloon itself is surprised, even pained, though proud at its own growth and development—at the swift arrival of need for readjustment of ideas."

"It is no longer a suburb, but a city in its own right, and it must have its strand, its Broadway."

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An old and highly-respected resident of the Colony passed away on Friday night in the person of Mr. J. H. Reppie, at the age of 74 years. He joined Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd. in 1887 as an engineer and three years later entered Government service as a turnkey in Victoria Gaol.

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THE Rev. J. R. Higgs, the newly appointed Vicar of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, and Mrs. Higgs left England aboard the Blue Funnel steamer Hector on February 24. This voyage is also their honeymoon.

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De Havilland's have just turned out a new four-engine airliner for Qantas Empire Airways. Its 200 hp engines arranged on each side of the body which will accommodate ten passengers, will give the plane a top speed of 170 mph.

## This Funny World



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